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American Given 30 Years in Prison

Havana, Jan. 15 (UPI).—The government today sentenced 80 persons, including an American citizen allegedly working for the U. S. Central Intelligence Agency, to long prison terms on charges of "counter-revolution" and plotting to kidnap Fidel Castro.

The American was identified only as Robert John Gentile, a World War II veteran accused in his indictment of working for the Washington-based CIA. He and 32 others were sentenced to 30 years imprisonment, Raul Castro's armed forces ministry said.

Gentile, arrested last year, was accused of membership in a "junta" that plotted to kidnap Premier Castro although he was said to have come to Cuba to train Castro soldiers.

A military court sentenced nine other defendants to terms up to 23 years and eight others were sentenced to nine years in jail. Another 12 persons were acquitted.

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